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MODULATING POWER OF LASER BEAM, AN

APPARATUS FOR RECORDING DATA IN OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM AND OPTICAL RECORDING

MEDIUM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the present Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified United States National Phase patent application. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 11 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 12 of this paper and include an attached Replacement Sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.